## **Panel Discussion**

Awantipora, December 28, 2023 – The Centre for International Relations at the Islamic University of Science and Technology (IUST), Awantipora, organized a panel discussion on 'Environmental Security' at the Rumi Library on December 27, 2023. The event aimed to address critical issues surrounding global environmental challenges and foster a nuanced understanding of their impact on international relations.

Distinguished experts Dr. Shahnawaz A. Mantoo, Dr. Athar ud din, and Dr. Sucharita Sengupta led the discussion, delving into three pivotal themes: climate justice, the perspective of the global south on climate change, and the intricate relationship between gender, vulnerability, and climate change. The diverse perspectives offered by the panelists provided attendees with a comprehensive view of the multifaceted nature of environmental security.

The experts engaged the audience for an enlightening hour, sharing their insights and expertise on the pressing issues at hand. Dr. Athar ud din provided a unique perspective on climate change from the standpoint of the global south, emphasizing the need for inclusive and equitable international cooperation. Dr. Shahnawaz A. Mantoo contributed to the discourse on climate justice, while Dr. Sucharita Sengupta shed light on the gender dimensions of climate change and vulnerability.

Following the engaging discussions, the event transitioned into a lively half-hour Q&A session, where attendees had the opportunity to interact with the panelists directly, further enriching the conversation.